

# BENNINGTON EVENING BANNER

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BENNINGTON, VT., SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 1916.

PRICE ONE CENT

If, When You Ask Advice, You Are Merely Seeking For Sympathy Remember That Most People Reserve All Their Sympathy For Themselves

**COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.**  
The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONER, to receive, examine and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Jesse Vaughn, late of Bennington, in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose, aforesaid, at the Lawrence Hotel, in South Shaftbury, in the Town of Shaftbury, in said District, on the 16th day of July, and 14th day of October next, from 10 o'clock a. m. to 4 o'clock p. m., on each of said days, and that six months from the 16th day of July, A. D. 1916, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.  
Dated at Bennington, this 10th day of April, A. D. 1916.  
H. B. HUTCHINS,  
JOHN G. BUNTINGTON, J. M. SOLOMON NILES,  
Commissioners.

**COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.**  
The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONER, to receive, examine and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Michael Leonard, late of Bennington, in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose, aforesaid, at the First National Bank, in the Village of Bennington, in said District, on the 18th day of June and 18th day of September next, from 9 o'clock a. m. to 4 o'clock p. m., on each of said days, and that six months from the 18th day of June, A. D. 1916, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.  
Dated at Bennington, Vt., this 13th day of April, A. D. 1916.  
FRED N. AUSTIN,  
W. S. BOYTON,  
Commissioners.

**COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.**  
The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONER, to receive, examine and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Barker F. Vail, late of Bennington, in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose, aforesaid, at the Bennington Hotel, in the Village of Bennington, in said District, on the 14th day of July and 14th day of October next, from 10 o'clock a. m. to 4 o'clock p. m., on each of said days, and that six months from the 14th day of July, A. D. 1916, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.  
Dated at Bennington, this 13th day of April, A. D. 1916.  
H. HARRY HARPE,  
R. F. RABSON,  
Commissioners.

**COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.**  
The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Bennington, COMMISSIONER, to receive, examine and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Elvira K. Warren, late of Bennington, in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose, aforesaid, at the office of Charles N. Powers, in the Village of Bennington, in said District, on the 10th day of May and 10th day of September next, from 10 o'clock a. m. to 4 o'clock p. m., on each of said days, and that six months from the 10th day of May, A. D. 1916, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.  
Dated at Bennington, Vermont, this 14th day of April, A. D. 1916.  
CHARLES N. POWERS,  
C. O. BURR,  
Commissioners.

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## EASTER PROGRAMS

Choirs Have Made Special Arrangements for Annual Festival

ALL CHURCHES PARTICIPATE

Carols and Anthems of Famous Composers Will Be Sung at Services Tomorrow.

Bennington church organizations have made their usual elaborate preparations for Easter and the choirs have for some time been rehearsing the special Easter music which will be sung at the services tomorrow. The programs follow:

Sacred Heart Church

At Sacred Heart church Easter Sunday masses will be celebrated at 8 and 10 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. C. E. Prevost. At the 8 o'clock mass the Parochial school children will sing accompanied by Miss Rosella Tetreault as violinist. The full choir will render the following program at 10 o'clock mass.

"Overture voluntary", organ

"Vidi Aquam", full choir H. Dumont

"Resurrexi", plain chant, full choir

"Kyrie"—Mass in F. A. H. Rosewig

Solo—Miss Alice Rousseau, Miss Denise Bellemare

"Gloria"—Rosewig

Solo—Miss Alice Rousseau, Miss Rose Durand, Joseph Pellerin

Sermon by pastor Rev. C. E. Prevost

Solo—Grandias Lacroix, Edmond Noel Emile Bellemare, Joseph Pellerin, Florence Noel

Offertory—"Regina Coeli" A. Werner

Chorus and Miss Rosella Tetreault, violinist

"Sanctus"—Rosewig

Solo—Gaudias Lacroix

"Agnus Dei"—Rosewig

Solo—Edmond Noel, Joseph Pellerin

Closing, Easter Hymn—

Triumph of Jesus Christ by Battmann

Full Choir

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 7 p. m.

Following are the choir members: Miss Florence Noel, Miss Denise Bellemare, Miss Marie Anne Gauthier, Miss Hermine Bellemare, Miss Regina Roy, Miss Alice Rousseau, Miss Rose Durand, Miss Blanche Tetreault, Joseph Pellerin, Joseph Roy, Gaudias Lacroix, Emile Bellemare, Eli Square, Choir master, Edmond Noel; organist, Miss Emma Lanarrie; violinist, Miss Rosella Tetreault.

No. Bennington Congregational Church

The following program will be rendered at the Congregational church, North Bennington, Easter Sunday morning, services beginning at 10:30.

The regular choir will be assisted by Mrs. W. J. Shaw, soprano soloist, of North Adams and George E. Donnelly and Francis McGurn, violinists, of Bennington; organist, H. S. Phillips.

Prelude—"Prayer" from Der Freischütz Weber

Violin and Piano

Singing—"Holy, Holy, Holy," Hymn No. 4

Invocation

Responsive Reading, with Gloria

Soprano Solo—"Behold the Risen King" Dressler

Mrs. W. J. Shaw

Scripture Reading

Singing—"Hark, Ten Thousand Harps" Hymn No. 128

Prayer, with response

Offertory—Violin Duet: "Angels Serenade" Braga

Geo. E. Donnelly and Francis McGurn

Soprano Solo—"Hosanna" Granier

Mrs. W. J. Shaw

Sermon

Singing—"The Day of Resurrection" Hymn No. 130

Benediction

Postlude

Violin and Piano

The Methodist Church

At the Methodist church Sunday morning there will be an Epworth League Sunrise prayer meeting commencing 6:30 led by George A. Parker. At the morning service 10:30 Mrs. Fred Stickle will render a prelude in "P flat" by Beethoven.

The other features of the music will be a carol, "Awake" by Gabriel; Anthem, "Victory" by H. Rowe Shelley; Hymn, "Hail the day that saw Him Rise" by Charles Wesley; Offertory, "Andantino" in B flat by Lowden; Hymn, "Lift Your Glad Voices in Triumph on High" by Henry Ware, Jr.; Sermon by the pastor, Rev. P. L. Dow. Sunday school at 12. Junior League 3 o'clock.

At the evening service, 7:30 the chorus choir assisted by local talent will render the celebrated Easter work "The Resurrection and The Life" by Wilson. The choir will be accompanied by organ, piano and a string

quartette as follows: Walter J. Kelley, violin; Harold R. Hurley, violin; Daniel Rifenburg, cello; Robert D. Long, bass; Mrs. Fred Stickle organist; Miss Leila Stickle, pianist; E. E. Long, director. For offertory, violin solo, selected, by Walter Kelley.

Observance of Day at Second Congregational Church.

The Easter services of the Second Congregational church will begin with an early morning praise and prayer service, in the chapel at 7:30. This is under the auspices of the C. E. society, and both the young people and the older ones are invited. The topic is "The Lessons of Our Immortality."

Morning worship at 10:30, with a special program. The pastor, Rev. G. S. Mills, will have for his theme, "Death for Life." A number of young people will be received into membership. Opportunity will be given by the use of special envelopes to make an Easter offering to the War Relief Funds—Armenian, Belgian and Polish.

Evening worship in the church at 7:30, when the pastor will conclude his interpretation readings of Poems of the War with a brief address and readings entitled "The Dead of Europe."

The Sunday school will have its opening exercises fitted to the day, and it is earnestly desired that all department may be fully attended and a record enrollment made. Potted plants will be presented to the children of the primary department.

Visitors and all who have no church obligations elsewhere will be most welcome at all the services.

In addition to the Easter hymns selected for the congregation the special music will be as follows:

Morning

Prelude, in B flat A. Vincent Dale

Anthem, "Christ has Won the Victory," Hawley

Solo, "As it Began to Dawn," Harker

Mrs. Baker

Anthem, "The Resurrection," Shelley

Offertory, Melodie J. V. Flagler

Solo, "Hosanna," Granier

Mr. Bottom

Anthem, "Lift Your Glad Voices," Van Laer

Postlude Arthur Dorey

At the evening service several special musical numbers will be rendered, one of which will be the anthem, "Christ Our Passover," by Schilling.

The choir: Miss Vera Suter, soprano; Mrs. Amyl Baker, contralto; W. S. Boynton, tenor; E. E. Bottom, bass and director; organist, Mrs. G. W. Keeseman.

Easter 10:30 A. M.

St. Francis de Sales

Messe Solennelle Edwardo Marzo

"Kyrie"—Duet: Chorus

Miss Margaret Larin

Miss Margaret Hayes

"Gloria"—

Solos—John McCormick, Margaret McGuire, William Shaw

Duet—John McCormick, William McGuire

"Qui tollis"—

Trío—William Shaw, Mary Parker

Nellie McGurn and Chorus

"Credo"—

Solo—E. C. Bennett and Chorus

"Et incarnatus"—

Soprano Solo and Obligation—Miss Rose Morrissey

"Et unan sanctus"—Duet: Chorus

Miss Morrissey, J. J. O'Brien, Jr.

Offertory

"Sanctus"—Chorus

"Benedictus"—Chorus

"Agnus Dei"—

Solo—Miss Agnes Dorion and Chorus

Celebration of Holy Communion

Violin Solo—"Adagio" Mietzke

Harold R. Hurley

Postlude Orchestra

Director E. C. Bennett

Organist Miss Helen F. Hurley

The Baptist Church

Prelude—"Easter Morning" Otto Malling

Anthem—"He is Risen" Marzo

Responsive Reading Sol. 59

Anthem—"Songs of Praise the Angels Sang" Hosmer

Scripture Reading—John 20:1-18

Trío—"The Strife is Over" Mendelssohn Zuck

Prayer

Announcement

Offertory—"Le Cygne" Saint Saens

## BASEBALL LEAGUE TO BE ORGANIZED NEXT MONDAY

Bennington Invited to Send Delegation to Northampton Meeting

FIRST GAME ON JUNE 15

Circuit Apparently Complete Without Bennington But Vermont Town May Be Given an Opening.

There is to be a meeting at Northampton Monday afternoon of the baseball promoters who are interested in the organization of a six-club league of which J. A. Zeller, the former manager of the Pittsfield club in the Eastern association, is the moving spirit.

No definite decision relative to the towns which will compose the new circuit has been reached but the names of the communities suggested so far have been North Adams, Pittsfield, Northampton, Greenfield, Fitchburg and Leominster. That Mr. Zeller is not sure that all of the towns in the proposed list are ready for the organization is indicated by a letter which has been received from him by one of the members of the former Bennington professional team inquiring into the prospects for baseball in this village.

In his letter Mr. Zeller requests that Bennington send a representative to the meeting at Northampton for the purpose of learning what the league promoters have to offer.

Just at present there does not appear to be much baseball sentiment in Bennington, but that fact does not establish anything. The fans here were always slow to wake up in the spring, but when they have become aroused baseball history is evidence that they remained in that condition until the close of the season.

To reorganize the old association and carry out a baseball campaign in Bennington this year it would be necessary to build a new park in Pownal and considerable preliminary work would be necessary. It would be a considerable undertaking, but no more of a task than has been accomplished here in Bennington on a number of occasions.

Mr. Zeller proposes to start the schedule of the new league about June 15 when it would be possible to secure college players for the several teams.

GIFTS OF MESSRS. PUTNAM

Magnitude Unapproached in Previous History of the State.

Editor of the Banner:—In a recent issue of the Banner you made a statement, referring to the princely gift of the late Mr. Henry W. Putnam to this town, with which I must take issue.

In the short editorial you wrote this week, when word was received here that in addition to the splendid gift of the father, the son makes an additional benefaction the wholly unexpected sum of \$90,000, you stated that "the value of the water plant was variously estimated at from \$250,000 to \$400,000," when as a matter of fact it was of a much greater value judging conservatively.

I arrive at this conclusion in view of the fact that the village now receives an annual net return of \$15,000, and that too with the water rates cut in half for the benefit of our citizens. Of course, it is only just to assume that Mr. Putnam received double the amount above stated, less half the sum netted from commercial buildings and offices which still pay full rates, having given him a probable revenue of at least \$27,000 (minus taxes) per year, roughly \$25,000, or in other words, 5 per cent upon \$500,000. Most financiers would consider a practically sure 5 per cent investment "glit edged."

But there is something more to be considered in this connection and that is, the outlook for Bennington as a community when this great gift was made, (the most splendid in the history of the state.) The town then, as now, was showing a very satisfactory growth in all directions, both industrially, and in a domestic way. Houses were springing up on all sides, new factories were being built, and old ones brought to life, population increasing in a steady and healthful manner, making the outlook for the water company's future very rosy. Under these conditions, if Mr. Putnam had offered the water works for sale instead of making them a free gift to us, having been the unusually shrewd financier he was, realizing the future there undoubtedly was before the company, I am sure no sum less than \$800,000 would have tempted him to allow the plant to change hands. Most of our ablest business men here quite agree with this statement.

And now comes the son with his magnificent gift of \$90,000 with which to build the hospital, showing conclusively how much in sympathy he was with his father's act in donating the water works, which naturally would have been his. Do we fully realize just what these great gifts from father and son mean to Bennington?

## GERMANY WILL NOT MEET DEMANDS OF AMERICA

Sentiment Against Weakening Submarine Campaign

U. S. NOTE NOT MADE PUBLIC

Sentiment in Higher Quarters is That Situation is Extremely Grave.

Berlin, via London, April 22.—Nothing has yet developed as a result of the receipt of the American note to Germany concerning Germany's submarine warfare. No expression of opinion is obtainable from the foreign office where absolute reticence is maintained.

Neither the note nor any reference to it has been published in Germany, and there is no intimation as yet when the note will be made public. The celebrations of Holy Week and of the Eastertide therefore are proceeding, undisturbed by foreign complications.

The ministers and other officials who were entitled to it, received a copy of the note this morning and were engaged during the day in studying the document.

As far as the Associated Press has been made acquainted with the sentiment in higher quarters, it would be wrong to regard the situation as anything but extremely grave. The note probably will be answered some time next week, after serious consideration has been given the American contention, but there is little hope that any answer can go to the length demanded by the Washington government, despite the fact that the government desires to maintain good relations with the United States. The sentiments are against any further weakening of Germany's submarine campaign to say nothing of an abandonment of it.

Washington, April 22.—Embassador Gerard at Berlin cabled the state department yesterday that he had delivered the American note on submarine warfare to the German foreign office at 4:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Secretary Lansing said later he had not been advised just when a reply might be forthcoming. Other officials, however, indicated they expected it by the middle of next week.

Embassador Gerard is known to have entered into a brief conversation with Foreign Minister von Jagow after delivering the communication. All through the contents of a second message, received late yesterday from Mr. Gerard were closely guarded, it was understood the minister informed the department he had been assured immediate consideration would be given to the note.

It became known last night that several messages have been received from Embassador Gerard during the past day or two. It was stated authoritatively, however, that they transmitted only expressions of editorial opinion from German newspapers. These editorial excerpts were closely examined by officials in an attempt to gain some understanding of the state of German public opinion.

Dispatches from the embassador are looked for momentarily to give definite information regarding the views of German officials, the manner in which the note was received and forecasts of the action which would be taken by the German government in response to the demand of the United States that it declare and effect an abandonment of the present methods of conducting submarine warfare.

Count von Bernstorff, the German embassador, was not in Washington yesterday. He left early yesterday morning on a week-end trip. He is not expected to return to the capital until Monday, unless important dispatches bearing on the submarine issue should be received before then.

The German embassy is sending many informative dispatches to Berlin. The majority of these sent so far have contained interpretations of public and official opinion and the embassador's own views on the situation. It is known that Count von Bernstorff has strongly recommended to his government that it modify submarine warfare as to bring it within what the United States regards to be the law.

A splendid, fully equipped hospital with sufficient endowment to take care of it forever. A hospital in much larger communities than Bennington, is always an expensive luxury, but through the rare generosity and munificence of these two men, we will have this great good come to us without the cost of one dollar to the town.

Although bearing the same name, the relationship is sufficiently remote to allow me to write this letter with perfect propriety.

Very truly,  
W. E. Putnam.

Bennington, Vt., April 21, 1916.

## PURSUIT OF VILLA NOW HINGES ON SCOTT'S REPORT

Chief of Staff Conferring With Gen. Funston

TROOPS MAY BE RECALLED

Army Officers of opinion that Punitive Expedition Will Soon End.

San Antonio, Tex., April 21.—Major Gen. Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff of the United States army, and Maj. Gen. Funston in charge of operations along the frontier and in Mexico, personally discussed the problems tonight which have grown out of the punitive expedition in pursuit of Villa.

Gen. Scott arrived from Washington tonight and was met by Gen. Funston, the two going immediately to Gen. Funston's headquarters at Ft. Sam Houston. Gen. Scott professed not to know whether the American troops were to be recalled without having captured Villa. He was sent here by Secretary of War Baker to discuss the situation in detail with Gen. Funston and to make the Secretary a personal report. Gen. Scott does not intend going to El Paso or Columbus.

Officers here are convinced that Gen. Scott soon will admit the futility of continuing the pursuit of Villa under the existing circumstances.

It is believed at departmental headquarters that the investigation Gen. Scott has been asked to make will not keep him here more than a day or two at most since there are in the possession of Maj. Malvern Hill Barham, Gen. Funston's chief of staff, the details of the records of the campaign since the troops crossed into Mexico opposite Columbus, N. M., and this was subject to Gen. Scott's inspection tonight.

Gen. Pershing's army continued its inactivity today, awaiting instructions from Gen. Funston, which he was unable to give pending the determination and announcement of the Administration's policy regarding the punitive expedition. Secretary Baker's assertion that there has been no change in this respect and that the pursuit of Villa would be continued, was taken by military men to reflect the wishes of the Administration, but unless complete changes in tactics are used the continuation of the pursuit of Villa cannot efficiently be continued, they declare.

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